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MORRISTOWN, in its beauty and healthfulness, nestles quietly among the hills of Northern New Jersey. With a population of over 8,000 it is thirty miles from New York and high above the sea air which envelopes the metropolis. To this advantage of moderate mountain air, it adds that of the purest of pure water brought by the Aqueduct Company from the springs which issue from the heart of the hills around. Its sandy, porous soil completes the strongest of health attractions for which, both summer and winter, it has long been renowned. Add to this the fact that Morristown is not a manufacturing city but a city of elegant residences and simple homes, with a large understratum of old inhabitants, and we account in some measure for its unusual attractiveness. Owing to the central position of the town as originally planned, roads radiate in every direction. It is said there is a drive, different in character, for every day of the month.

Morristown was known as "West Hanover" and "New Hanover" from the earliest settlement of Morris County, about 1710, when the country round was called by the Indian name, "Rockeiticus," until March 25th, 1740, when its present name was adopted at the first meeting of the County Court. About this ancient town cluster the most sacred and dramatic memories of the Revolution, for here was Washington with his army for two entire winters, during the first of which he occupied as his headquarters the "Arnold Tavern" now "All Souls Hospital," on the old Baskingridge Road (now Mt. Kemble Avenue). During Washington's second winter, his home was the Ford Mansion, now known as "The Headquarters." This stately building stands first among the Headquarters of the United States for its preservation, its situation, its associations and the treasures it contains, chief among which is Washington's original Commission as Commander-in-chief.

The churches are a feature of Morristown. There are two Episcopal churches, two Presbyterian, two Roman Catholic, two Methodist Episcopal, two Baptist and one Congregational. In the old burying ground of the "First Church" lies the dust of Revolutionary heroes.

The schools of Morristown are widely known. The two public schools under the management, for twenty-five years, of the efficient Principal, Mr. Wm. Le Roy Haven, are the pride and glory of the city and county. The fine Maple Avenue "Graded and High School" building was completed in 1869, at a cost of about $60,000, since which time extensive additions have been made. There are several private schools both large and small. Among the first is "Miss Dana's School for Young Ladies" which ranks among the first schools of the country and supplies, by certificate, the colleges of Wellesley, Smith and Baltimore. "The Morris Academy" for boys, under the direction of its able Principal, Mr. Charles D. Platt, having its rooms in the Library and Lyceum Building, is well attended and sends many young men to the various colleges. "Mr. L. A. Talmadge's School," for boys, is equally popular and does the same.

"St. Hilda's School," for girls, is large and flourishing, also the "St. Elizabeth Academy." "Miss Stevenson's School," for young ladies and children, has long been established and connected with it is a fine kindergarten, as is also with Miss Dana's.

In the Library and Lyceum Building is a fine circulating and reference library of over 15,000 volumes, with a reading room attached where one may find, and quietly enjoy, the magazines of the day.

Four weekly newspapers are issued from Morristown presses, the oldest being *The Jerseyman* which was established in 1826 and *The True Democratic Banner*, in 1836. There are also *The Chronicle* and *The Evening Express*.

It is said that every form of philanthropy finds fruitful soil in Morristown and it would seem that all are represented from "The State Charities Aid Association," which began its life here and of which the "Children's Home" is one of the first results, to the "Free Kindergarten" last established. "The Memorial" and the "All Souls" Hospitals are both doing a much needed work in this part of New Jersey. "The Memorial Hospital" occupies a historic site, and a historic building like the "All Souls,"—namely the home, much as it stood in the Revolution, of "Good Pastor Johnes," one of the most famous charac ters of the time, and the friend of Washington. The great State Hospital for the Insane ranks among the first in size and importance in the United States and in the world.

The fire department, organized in 1867, is recognized as one of the best volunteer fire departments in the state and has been raised to its present remarkable efficiency by the efforts, ability and devotion of a few public spirited citizen members.

About the Park, with its fine Soldiers' Monument, large and spacious stores display their wares from attractive windows. This business centre is fast diverging into the outlying streets and avenues and larger and finer buildings, like the "McAlpinBlock," are constantly being erected for these purposes and instantly occupied.

The D. L. and W. Railroad has added recently several trains which for speed and convenience attract many business and professional men either temporarily or permanently. Hotels and boarding houses abound and are liberally patronized. Many who come to board remain to rent or build, and those who come for one season usually end by remaining the year round or altogether. The society of Morristown is unrivalled and that, in itself, attracts many visitors and residents. Many delightful clubs are in vigorous life. The Polo Club has attained celebrity as well as the new Golf Club, which is the first established in New Jersey and the third in the United States. One of the sights on a bright October day is the start of the Essex County Hunt from the "Morristown Green," when the hunters assemble, in gay attire, before taking their course across the country.

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LADY WASHINGTON'S ROOM, SOUTH END.

THE PARLOR

WASHINGTON'S HEADQUARTERS.

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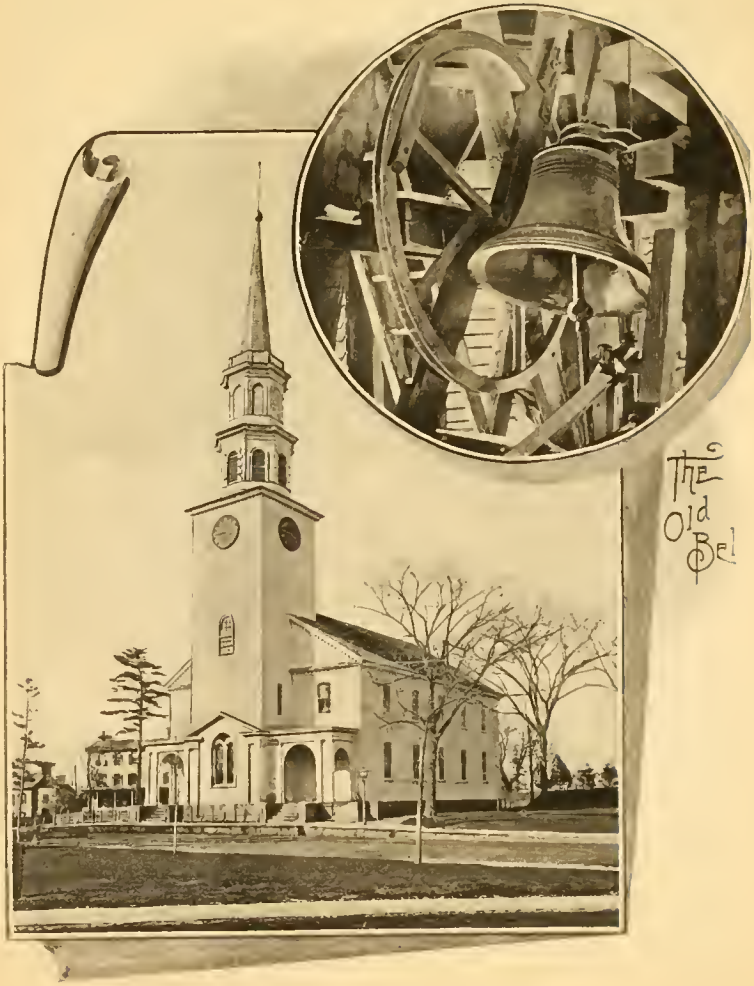

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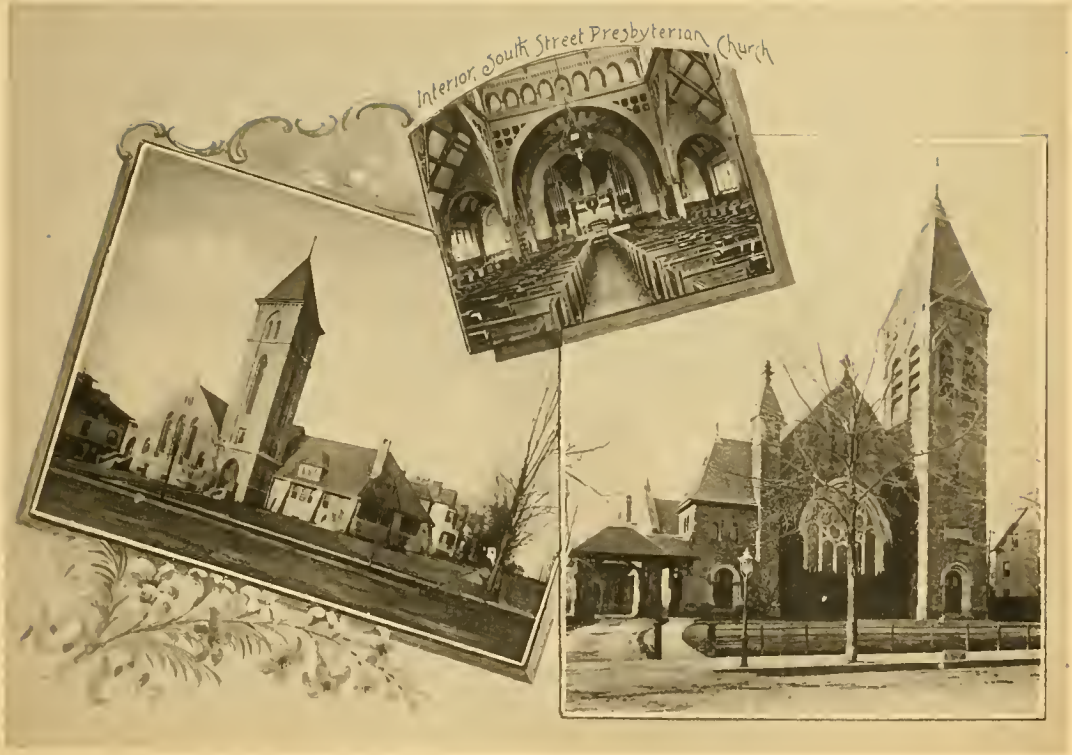

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